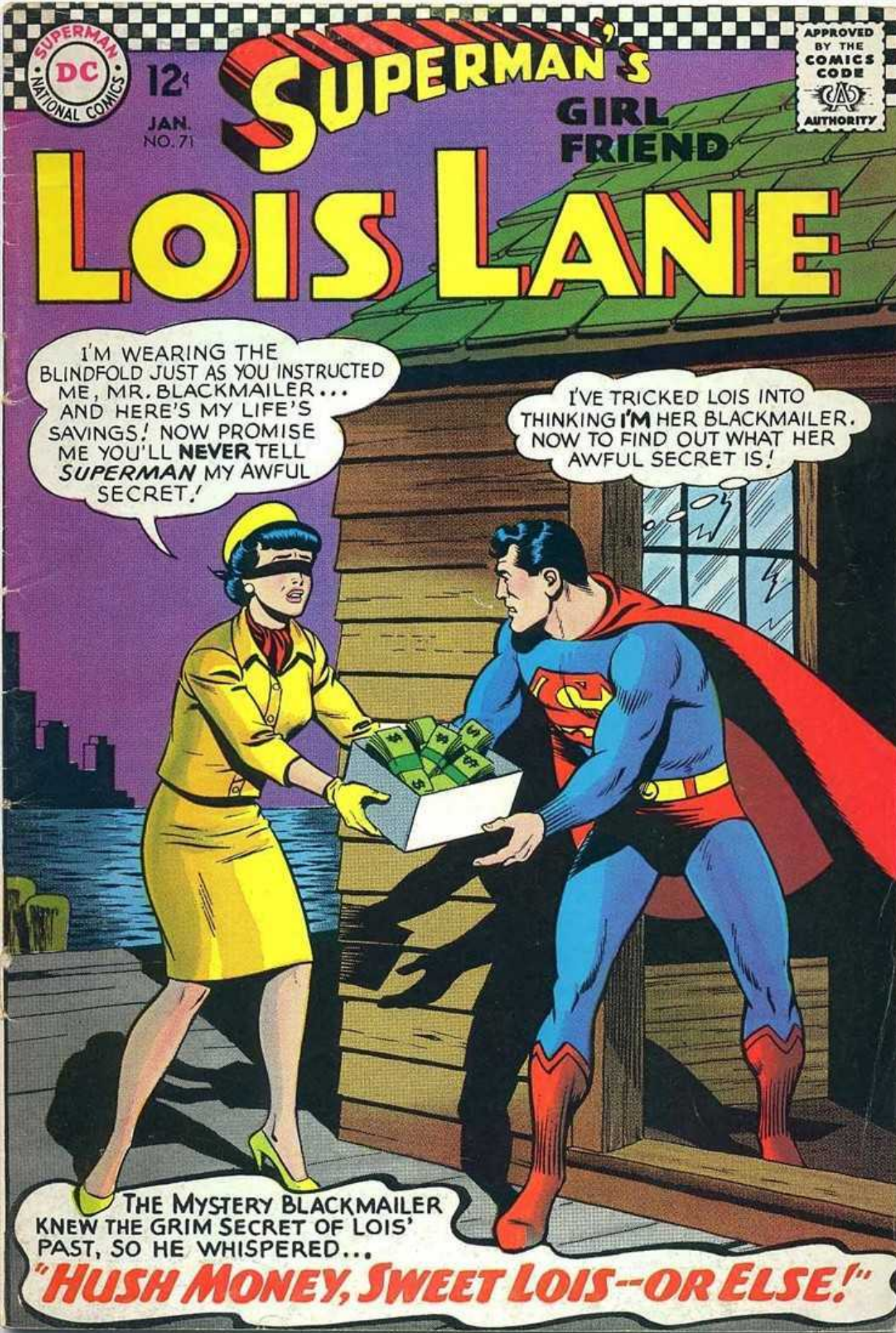
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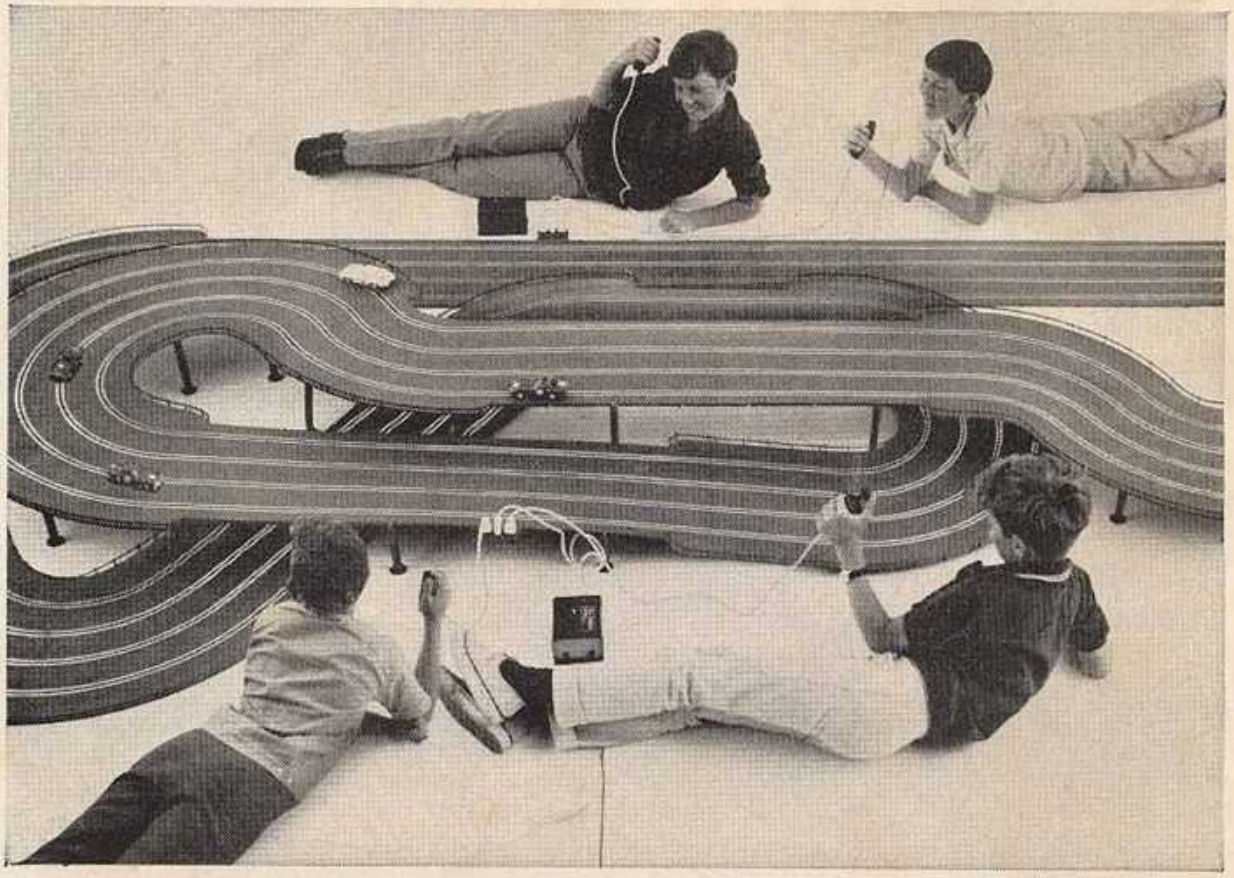
I'VE TRICKED LOIS INTO THINKING I'M HER BLACKMAILER. NOW TO FIND OUT WHAT HER AWFUL SECRET IS!
THE MYSTERY BLACKMAILER KNEW THE GRIM SECRET OF LOIS' PAST, SO HE WHISPERED...
"HUSH MONEY, SWEET LOIS--OR ELSE!"



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ALL MY LIFE I'VE DREAMED OF HAVING SUPERMAN EATING OUT OF MY HAND... BUT WHEN IT FINALLY HAPPENS, IT'S ONLY BECAUSE HE'S BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO A SUPER-CAT BY CATWOMAN, USING THE MAGIC OF CIRCE'S WAND!

SUPERMAN IS A REAL COOL CAT... AND WE DO MEAN THE KIND WITH FOUR LEGS, FUR AND A TAIL! YES, THE MAN OF STEEL HAS BEEN HOODOOED RIGHT INTO CATHOOD BY THAT FELINE FINK, THE CATWOMAN! WHAT'S LOIS DOING? RACKING HER GRAY CELLS FOR A WAY TO UNHEX HER HERO! BUT UNLESS SHE CAN SCARE UP SOME GENUINE SORCERY, IT LOOKS LIKE...

"BAD LUCK FOR A BLACK SUPER-CAT!"

CAT FOOD

PURRRR!

Schaffenberger

WELL, OUR IMPETUOUS REPORTER, LOIS LANE, HAS DONE IT AGAIN! DISGUISED AS THE INFAMOUS CAT-WOMAN, SHE'S ACTUALLY TRACKED THE PRINCESS OF PLUNDER TO HER LAIR... AND WALKED RIGHT SMACK INTO A TRAP!

AH! THE NOSEY MISS LANE! SO YOU DARED INVADE MY CATACOMBS? WELL, HERE'S A SWITCH FOR YOU... THE CAT WILL KILL MISS CURIOSITY!

CAT-WHISKER GUNS

CAT-ASTROPHE BOMBS

CAT-ARANGS

IF YOU EXPECT SUPERMAN TO COME FLASHING GALLANTLY TO THE RESCUE... FORGET IT! HE'S COMPLETELY IN MY POWER... IN HIS CAGE!

YOU MEAN THAT CAT IS SUPERMAN? I SUPPOSE YOU JUST TWITCHED YOUR NOSE, LIKE THE GAL ON BEWITCHED, AND TRANSFORMED HIM?

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"NOT QUITE! SUPERMAN KNEW YOU WERE WEARING A CATWOMAN DISGUISE, SO I IMPERSONATED YOU. THEN IT WAS EASY TO LURE HIM INTO A TRAP..."
THE CATACOMBS...LOIS, HOW'D YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS PLACE?
I-I MUST HAVE BEEN HERE BEFORE.
"NEXT, I CHANGED SUPERMAN INTO A CAT, USING THE ANCIENT WAND THAT HAD ONCE BELONGED TO THE SORCERESS CIRCE."
WAND OF CIRCE, TURN THIS DUNCE INTO A SUPER-CAT...AT ONCE!
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?..I'M BEING TURNED INTO...
MIEOOW!
THE SUPER-CAT HAS ALL OF SUPERMAN'S POWERS, SO I KEEP HIM IN THIS KRYPTONITE CAGE UNTIL IT'S TIME TO USE HIM ON A CRIME JOB!
THAT SUPER-CAPE... AND THE WAY THE CAT REACTS TO KRYPTONITE! IT MUST BE SUPERMAN!
YOWWRRR!
MEOWWRRR!
THE PAIN...IT'S KILLING THE POOR CREATURE! GET HIM OUT OF THERE, CATWOMAN, OR I'LL...
YOU'LL SQUEAK, THAT'S WHAT! I TURNED SUPERMAN INTO A CAT! AND NOW I'M GOING TO CHANGE YOU TO A MOUSE!
MEOWWRRR!
ROWWRRR!
IT'S A PURRFECTLY SIMPLE PROCESS! JUST HOLD STILL! DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE AFRAID OF MICE!
GET BACK! STAY AWAY FROM ME WITH THAT WAND!
THUD
CAT-ACLYSMIC GRENADES
SUDDENLY LOIS IS ENGULFED BY A WEIRD, AWESOME FORCE...
THE WAND'S MAGIC POWER...IT'S WHIRLING ME ABOUT LIKE A LEAF IN A HURRICANE...I'M BLACKING OUT!

AN INSTANT LATER, LOIS FINDS HERSELF GROTESQUELY TRANSFORMED...
YIPES! IT WORKED! I'VE BEEN TURNED INTO A MOUSE!
EEEEK!
SQUEAL AWAY, MY RIDICULOUS RODENT! YOUR TROUBLES ARE JUST BEGINNING!
I'M PUTTING YOU IN THE CAGE WITH THE SUPER-CAT, I'M SURE HE'D BE GLAD TO HAVE YOU JOIN HIM FOR DINNER!
EEEEK!
ULP! AS THE BLUE-PLATE SPECIAL, SHE MEANS!
MEOWWRR!
REEOWWRR
SQUEEAAKK! EEEEKKKK!
HE DOESN'T RECOGNIZE ME! I'M TRYING TO REMIND HIM THAT KILLING IS AGAINST HIS CODE, BUT I CAN ONLY SQUEAK LIKE A MOUSE!
SPLAT
HE GOT ME!...IN A MINUTE, I'LL REALLY BE DOWN IN THE MOUTH ...ON MY WAY TO SUPER-CAT'S STOMACH!
BUT AN INSTANT LATER, LOIS OPENS HER EYES TO FIND...
GLORY BE! I'M HUMAN! THEN THAT MOUSE ROUTINE WAS ONLY A DREAM...A NIGHTMARE!
OFFICER DALEY! GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE OKAY, MISS LANE! YOU'VE BEEN UNCONSCIOUS FOR SOME TIME
WHERE AM I? WHO ARE YOU?
YOU'RE PERFECTLY SAFE NOW! BATMAN AND ROBIN CAPTURED THE CATWOMAN AND HER GANG. THEY'RE BEING TAKEN TO JAIL!
BUT WHAT HIT THE CATACOMBS...AN EARTH-QUAKE OR AN ARTILLERY BARRAGE?

"FROM WHAT THE GANG TOLD US, YOU INFILTRATED THE CATACOMBS IN DISGUISE. CATWOMAN WAS ABOUT TO ATTACK YOU WHEN YOU ACCIDENTALLY FELL AGAINST ONE OF HER WEAPONS."
SNAP!
CAT-ACLYSMIC GRENADES
VOOM-OOM...
EEEYAH!
LOIS LANE TRIGGERED A CAT-ACLYSM GRENADE! ITS VIBRATIONS ARE SHAKING THE PLACE APART!
"THE SHOCK WAVES REGISTERED ON SEISMOGRAPHS IN GOTHAM CITY...INCLUDING ONE IN THE BATCAVE..."
THE EARTHQUAKE EPICENTER SEEMS TO BE JUST TO THE WEST OF THE CITY LIMITS, ROBIN!
HOLY ROCK-FAULT! THERE MAY BE CASUALTIES! LET'S HURRY OUT THERE AND TRY TO HELP!
YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS, BUT THE CAT-WOMAN STILL HAD SOME FIGHT IN HER! THE DYNAMIC DUO PUT THE GANG ON ICE BEFORE WE GOT HERE, THOUGH! THEN WE REVIVED YOU! COMING ALONG?
NO, THANKS. I'LL STICK AROUND FOR A WHILE.
AFTER THE POLICE LEAVE...
NO ONE MENTIONED THE SUPER-CAT! I'LL BET THE CATWOMAN DELIBERATELY LEFT HIM TO DIE IN THIS KRYPTONITE CAGE! I'LL FREE HIM AND TRY TO TRANSFORM HIM BACK TO SUPERMAN WITH CIRCE'S WAND.
BUT...
CHANGE THE SPELL...RESTORE THE NORM...CAT, RESUME YOUR HUMAN FORM!
NOTHING HAPPENED! THE WAND'S MAGIC POWER MUST BE USED UP!
MIEOOOWW??
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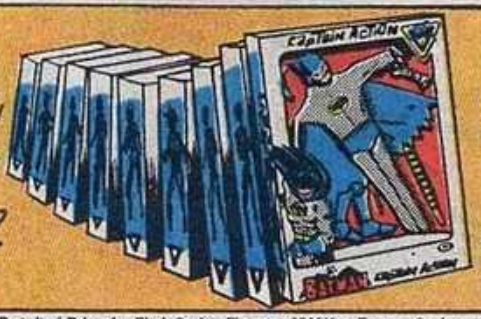

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POOR PUSSYCAT! I KNOW HOW YOU MUST FEEL! BUT MAYBE THE CATWOMAN KNOWS SOME OTHER SPELL THAT CAN HELP YOU. I'LL APPEAL TO HER... WOMAN TO WOMAN. I MIGHT FIND A SOFT SPOT IN HER HEART.
MEOOOWRR?? MIEWWW!

BUT WHEN THEY VISIT THE COUNTESS OF CRIME IN HER CELL...
PLEASE! TURN HIM BACK TO SUPERMAN! I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU ASK.
OKAY, YOU HAVE A DEAL. I'LL HELP HIM. IF HE BREAKS OPEN THOSE BARS FOR ME. QUICK, WHILE THE GUARDS ARE OUT OF SIGHT.

INSTANTLY, THE DESPERATE SUPER-CAT REACTS...
SUPER-CAT! NO!...YOU CAN'T HELP A CRIMINAL ESCAPE!
KRUNNCHHH!

AS THE POWERFUL PUSS COMES TO HIS SENSES...
YOU WIN, LOIS,.. SORT OF! I COULDN'T HELP HIM, ANYHOW! HE'S DOOMED TO REMAIN A FELINE UNTIL HE DIES! AND I'M GLAD!
I TRIED, SUPER-CAT! BUT I FLOPPED! COME, I'LL TAKE YOU HOME.
MEOW!

LATER, IN LOIS' ROOM...
I'M TO BLAME! IF I HADN'T GOT MIXED UP WITH THE CATWOMAN, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN TRAPPED AND TRANSFORMED LIKE THIS! SOB! I KNOW YOU CAN UNDERSTAND ME! I ONLY WISH YOU COULD TALK!

INSTANTLY, THE SUPER-CAT LEAPS TO THE TYPEWRITER, AND...
YOU'RE TYPING OUT A MESSAGE TO ME! YOU DID FIND A WAY TO "SPEAK" TO ME!
LOIS: DON'T DESPAIR. I'LL STAY HERE WITH YOU UNTIL WE FIND A WAY TO SWITCH ME BACK!
MIEUWW!

BUT THE WORLD SOON NOTICES THE METROPOLIS MARVEL'S ABSENCE...
WHERE IS SUPERMAN? THE MAN OF STEEL HAS NOT BEEN SEEN FOR DAYS...ALL EARTH IS GROWING ANXIOUS, FEARING THAT SOME DISASTER MIGHT STRIKE WHILE HE IS GONE!
THEY DON'T KNOW IT, BUT A DISASTER HAS ALREADY STRUCK!

NEXT DAY, LOIS IS VISITED BY BATMAN...
LOIS, YOU MAY HAVE BEEN THE LAST PERSON TO SEE SUPERMAN ALIVE. THE F.B.I. WANTS YOU TO REPORT TO THE WHITE HOUSE FOR QUESTIONING!
I'LL GO AT ONCE.
SUPERMAN IS TOO EMBARRASSED TO REVEAL WHAT REALLY HAPPENED, EVEN TO BATMAN.

A FAST JET WHISKS LOIS TO WASHINGTON, WHERE...
SORRY, MISS LANE! WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT EVERY-ONE WHO VISITS THE PRESIDENT. WE MUST EXAMINE YOUR BAG.
I UNDERSTAND. IT'S THE DUTY OF THE SECRET SERVICE TO GUARD THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF!

HEY! HOW ABOUT THAT? A CAT WITH A SUPER-CAPE! THAT SUPERMAN FAD IS ALL THE RAGE NOW.
BROTHER, WOULD YOU POP YOUR CORK IF YOU KNEW YOU WERE HOLDING SUPERMAN HIM-SELF, IN PERSON!

PRESENTLY...
THE PRESIDENT WILL SEE YOU IN A FEW MOMENTS. WHILE YOU WAIT, YOUR CAT CAN JOIN THE FIRST FAMILY'S BEAGLE PUPS AT THE MILK BAR.
POOR SUPERMAN! HE'S THE WORLD'S GREATEST HERO, BUT HE HAS TO PRETEND TO BE A MERE HOUSEHOLD PET.

SOON...
MISS LANE, OUR SPACE SCIENTISTS HAVE LANDED A CAPSULE ON THE MOON, WHICH CONTAINS EXPERIMENTAL ANIMALS. SUPERMAN PROMISED TO RETURN IT TO EARTH.
UNLESS HE RESCUES THE CREATURES TO-NIGHT, THEY'LL DIE!

MR. PRESIDENT, I CAN'T TELL YOU WHERE SUPERMAN IS. BUT IF HE MADE A PROMISE, HE'LL KEEP IT... YOU CAN COUNT ON THAT!
THANK YOU, MISS LANE. WE ALSO LANDED A TV CAMERA, WHICH WILL SEND BACK PICTURES OF THE RESCUE!
THAT NIGHT, IN A REMOTE WASHINGTON PARK...
I'VE BEEN INVITED TO VISIT THE NATIONAL OBSERVATORY TO WATCH YOU RETRIEVE THE CAPSULE!... ALL RIGHT, SUPERMAN... I MEAN SUPER-CAT! GET A MOVE ON!
MIEOWWW!
SHORTLY AFTERWARD, AT THE OBSERVATORY...
GREAT GUNS! A SUPER-CAT SHOWED UP IN SUPERMAN'S PLACE. HE'S ABOUT TO ATTACK THE MICE IN THE CAPSULE!
MICE??
GOOD GRIEF! SUPER-CAT IS ACTING LIKE A REGULAR CAT AFTER MICE! HIS SWIPE WILL SMASH THE CAPSULE AS THOUGH IT WERE TINFOIL!
BUT THE FABULOUS FELINE'S SLAP MERELY HURLS THE CAPSULE EARTHWARD, WHERE AN AUTOMATIC CHUTE LANDS IT SAFELY AT SPACE HEADQUARTERS...
WOW! WHAT A PITCH! THAT SUPER-CAT THREW A PERFECT STRIKE... RIGHT ON TARGET!
AND WHEN THE TRANSFORMED SUPERMAN REJOINS LOIS...
SUPERMAN OR SUPER-CAT, YOU'RE STILL MY HERO! BUT HOW I LONG TO SEE YOU IN YOUR HUMAN FORM AGAIN.
YEOWWRR!

NEXT DAY, BACK IN METROPOLIS...
SUPER-CAT, I'M AT MY WIT'S END! BUT LANA LANG MIGHT HAVE SOME IDEAS ON HOW TO SWITCH YOU BACK TO NORMAL! GET INTO YOUR TRAVELING CASE. WE'RE GOING TO VISIT HER.
PURRR!
MEANWHILE, LANA IS HELPING HER FATHER, PROFESSOR LANG, UNPACK THE SOUVENIRS OF A RECENT ARCHEOLOGICAL TRIP...
AND THIS IS AN EMERALD STATUE OF THE EGYPTIAN GOD, HORUS!
SAY! WHAT'S THIS SHRIVELED THING WITH CLAWS I FOUND WRAPPED IN A PAPYRUS?
IT'S A GIFT FOR YOU... A MUMMIFIED CAT'S-PAW FROM THE TOMB OF THE MAGICIAN KING, RO-SES. THE HIEROGLYPHICS ON THE PAPYRUS SAY THE PAW IS A MAGIC TALISMAN WHICH GRANTS THE OWNER ONE WISH!
JUST THINK... IF THE CAT'S-PAW MAGIC WORKS, I COULD WISH MYSELF TO BE A QUEEN ...OR BETTER YET, TURN MYSELF INTO A SUPER-BEING!
BUT WHO AM I KIDDING? TEN-TO-ONE, THE CAT'S-PAW IS A PHONEY! NOBODY WITH ANY SENSE BELIEVES IN SUCH CRAZY MAGIC!...
OH, HERE COMES LOIS! I WONDER WHAT SHE HAS IN THAT CASE?
WHEN LOIS TELLS HER WEIRD STORY...
YOU MEAN SUPERMAN WAS TURNED INTO A SUPER-CAT? THAT'S A PRETTY WILD TALE... BUT THE KITTY SURE FLIES LIKE SUPERMAN!
CAN YOU FIGURE A WAY TO CHANGE HIM BACK? :SOB: I'VE RACKED MY BRAINS, BUT I'M AT A DEAD-END!
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WELL, THIS CAT'S-PAW DAD BROUGHT HOME FROM EGYPT IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE THE POWER TO GRANT ONE WISH, OF COURSE, THE WHOLE IDEA IS SILLY.
SILLY-SHMILLY! FOR PETE'S SAKE, TRY IT!
AS LANA TRANSLATES THE ANCIENT SPELL...
IT SAYS TO SPEAK IN RHYME, SO... CLAW OF CAT TO HAND OF MAN! CHANGE SUPER-CAT TO SUPERMAN!
YOU'RE NO LONG-FELLOW, LANA... BUT SOMETHING'S HAPPENING!
SNARRRLLL!
SUDDENLY...
I'M FREE! BACK IN MY OWN FORM!
WHAT A TWIST! IT TOOK A CAT'S-PAW TO CHANGE HIM FROM A SUPER-CAT TO A SUPERMAN!
LOOK! THE MAGIC PAW CRUMBLED TO DUST!
MEOWWWRRRR!
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LANA, THAT CAT'S-PAW COULD HAVE GRANTED YOU ANYTHING YOU DESIRED, YET YOU SACRIFICED YOUR ONE WISH FOR ME! HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU?
YOU KNOW THE ANSWER! I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF BEING MRS. SUPERMAN!
OH, GREAT! FIRST I TANGLE WITH THE CATWOMAN, AND NOW LANA SINKS HER CATTY CLAWS IN MY BACK!
THE END.

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YOU CUT THE CARDBOARD IN A CIRCLE, A LITTLE LARGER THAN THE CAN, THEN GLUE, OR PASTE IT, ON THE OPEN END.
NOW, PUNCTURE A HOLE IN THE BOTTOM OF THE CAN. PUT SOME GLUE ON THE TIP OF THE PENCIL, THEN SLIDE IT THROUGH THE HOLE UNTIL THE GLUED PART STICKS TO THE CARDBOARD.
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THE MOST PUZZLING STORY: "The FIVE STOLEN 'S' SHIRTS!"

THE MOST EXCITING STORY: "The FIRST SUPERMAN of KRYPTON!"

THE MOST RIP-ROARING STORY: "The GUILTY BIZARRO!"

SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND

LOIS LANE

WHAT IS THIS?..YOUR PHONE CALL SAID YOU HAD AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF MAIL FOR ME!
I SURE HAVE... BLACKMAIL! JUST WATCH THIS MOVIE AND YOU'LL SEE WHY YOU'LL BE ONLY TOO GLAD TO PAY ME ANYTHING I ASK!
Schaffenberger

WHAT DREADFUL SECRET LURKS IN LOIS LANE'S PAST? HAS SHE STOLEN? COMMITTED TREASON? TAKEN PART IN SOME COLOSSAL SWINDLE? WHAT? YOU DON'T BELIEVE A WHOLESOME, ALL-AMERICAN GAL LIKE OUR LOIS COULD EVER HAVE STEPPED OUT OF LINE? WELL, IF SHE DIDN'T, TRY AND EXPLAIN WHY SHE'S WILLING TO FORK OVER HER LIFE'S SAVINGS TO A BLACKMAILER, TO KEEP HIM FROM SPILLING WHAT HE KNOWS, WHEN HE DEMANDS...

"HUSH MONEY, SWEET LOIS -- OR ELSE!"

AT THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE ONE DAY, AS REPORTER LOIS LANE ANSWERS THE PHONE...
YES,..YES,.. LATER! CAN'T TALK NOW...GOODBYE!
SOON, AT A NEARBY BANK...
HERE IT IS, MISS LANE... $1,200 IN NEW TEN-DOLLAR BILLS, AS YOU REQUESTED!
IT'S ALL THE SAVINGS I HAVE...BUT I MUST WITHDRAW IT!
TELLER
THE GIRL REPORTER THEN DRIVES OUT OF THE CITY, AND...
...30...31...32... HERE GOES! HE SAID TO THROW IT IN THE DITCH NEAR THE 33RD TELEPHONE POLE AFTER THE CLOVER LEAF JUNCTION! WELL, THAT'S ONE MORE PAYOFF... CHOKE!!
AND EACH DAY, LOIS SCRIMPS...
JOIN US FOR LUNCH, LOIS?... BUT I SUPPOSE YOU'LL GIVE US THE USUAL ANSWER...
RIGHT, CLARK! I BROUGHT MY OWN LUNCH FROM HOME! I'M... ER... SAVING UP TO VISIT MY FOLKS BACK IN PITTSDALE AT CHRISTMAS!
PERRY WHITE AND CLARK KENT HAVE-HARDLY LEFT, WHEN...
YOU AGAIN? SO SOON? BUT IT WAS ONLY LAST WEEK THAT I MADE A PAYMENT...
SAVE THE SOB STORIES FOR THE PRESSES, SISTER! I DON'T CARE HOW YOU SCRATCH IT UP, BUT I WANT $500 MORE...OR ELSE!
AT HOME, AFTER WORK...
LOIS! WHY ARE YOU PACKING YOUR SUPER-MAN SOUVENIRS? DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE GOING TO GET RID OF THEM!
STOP BUGGING ME, LUCY... I WON'T TELL YOU THAT.. OR ANYTHING ELSE! IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS, ANYHOW!

WORRIED BY HER SISTER'S ACTIONS, LUCY FOLLOWS LOIS TO A PAWN SHOP...
LADY, WHEN YOU SAID THIS STUFF WAS VALUABLE, YOU WEREN'T KIDDING! OKAY... I CAN LET YOU HAVE $500 FOR IT!
WHY WOULD LOIS PAWN MEMENTOS OF THE MAN SHE LOVES? I'LL SEE IF CLARK KENT KNOWS!
SOON, AT CLARK'S APARTMENT...
...THAT'S THE STORY, CLARK! WHY WOULD LOIS BE SO DESPERATE FOR CASH? DO YOU THINK SHE'S BEING BLACKMAILED?
IT'S POSSIBLE ...SHE HAS BEEN ACTING STRANGE THE PAST FEW WEEKS. I'LL...UH...CONTACT SUPERMAN AND SEE WHAT HE CAN FIND OUT!
NEXT DAY, AT THE OFFICE, LOIS GROANS AS SHE LIFTS HER TYPEWRITER COVER...
I WANT ANOTHER $250 RIGHT AWAY! BRING IT TO THE WATERFRONT, PIER 13, AT 10:00 TONIGHT! BLINDFOLD YOUR EYES WHEN YOU GET THERE! YOU KNOW WHO!
B-BUT I-I'M DEAD BROKE! WAIT... I CAN GET IT FROM THE BOSS!
MINUTES LATER, IN EDITOR WHITE'S OFFICE...
OKAY, LOIS! BUT WHY DO YOU WANT YOUR VACATION FUND SO FAR IN ADVANCE?
THAT'S MY BUSINESS, PERRY! JUST HAND IT OVER AND SKIP THE CROSS-EXAMINATION!
THAT NIGHT...
OKAY.. YOU CAN TAKE OFF YOUR BLINDFOLD NOW!
AT LAST I'LL MEET THE MAN WHO'S BEEN BLEEDING ME OF MONEY! I WONDER WHAT KIND OF SNEAKING VERMIN HE IS?
SUPERMAN ... YOU!!?? BUT... BUT...?
CLARK TOLD ME HE SUSPECTED YOU WERE IN TROUBLE, LOIS! I WANTED TO FORCE YOUR HAND, SO I HAD HIM LEAVE THAT FAKE NOTE FOR YOU! THE FACT THAT YOU CAME HERE PROVES YOU ARE BEING BLACKMAILED! BUT WHY... AND BY WHOM?
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SORRY, SUPERMAN! THERE ARE SOME THINGS I CAN'T EVEN TELL YOU! DON'T ASK ME ANY QUESTIONS ...PLEASE... ;CHOKE!;
I SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF HE EVER LEARNED THE TRUTH!
IF SHE WON'T TALK, I'LL HAVE TO DIG UP THE FACTS MYSELF... AS CLARK KENT!

NEXT DAY, IN HIS CIVILIAN IDENTITY, THE MAN OF MIGHT VISITS LOIS' HOME TOWN...
I'LL PRETEND I'M WRITING A SPECIAL FEATURE ABOUT LOIS FOR THE PLANET. THAT'LL GIVE ME A CHANCE TO CHECK ALL THE RECORDS AND FIND OUT IF THERE'S SOME HIDDEN SCANDAL IN HER PAST!
PITTSDALE HIGH SCHOOL

CLARK FIRST INTERVIEWS LOIS' FORMER ENGLISH TEACHER...
WHY, LOIS WAS MY STAR PUPIL, MR. KENT! I'VE EXHIBITED HER SCHOLASTIC RECORD ALL THESE YEARS AS AN INSPIRATION TO OTHERS!
I SEE, MISS PLUNKETT! DID LOIS EVER ENGAGE IN ANY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES INVOLVING... ER... MONEY?
AAAA LOIS LANE

WHY, YES! LOIS DROVE OUR BANKMOBILE ONE YEAR, COLLECTING CHARITY FUNDS! AND NOT ONE PENNY WAS EVER MISSING!
SHE MAKES LOIS SOUND LIKE A FEMALE "HONEST ABE"! I'VE STRUCK OUT HERE... I'LL TRY THE POLICE STATION NEXT!
BANKMOBILE! DONATE TO UNITED CHARITIES

WHEN CLARK MEETS THE PITTSDALE POLICE CHIEF...
I'M...ER...MAKING A SURVEY OF LAW-ENFORCEMENT FOR MY PAPER! HOW MANY SERIOUS CRIMES HAS PITTSDALE HAD IN THE PAST 20 YEARS?
NOT A ONE! THE LAST BIG CASE WAS ALMOST 30 YEARS AGO... WHEN TAD OLIVER STOLE SIX COWS!

30 YEARS AGO? THAT'S ABOUT THE TIME LOIS WAS BORN! WELL, I'LL RUN MY X-RAY VISION OVER HIS POLICE FILES... JUST IN CASE THERE'S SOMETHING HE DIDN'T TELL ME!

GREAT STARS! WHY WOULD HE HAVE A SET OF LOIS' FINGERPRINTS ON FILE, IF SHE NEVER COMMITTED A CRIME? IS THE CHIEF COVERING UP FOR HER?
LOIS LANE

AS THE INTERVIEW ENDS...
SAY, YOUNG FELLER, YOU'RE A FRIEND OF LOIS LANE'S, AREN'T YOU? LOOK AT THIS SURPRISE WE COOKED UP TO GIVE HER NEXT CHRISTMAS! IT'S IN HONOR OF THE MANY PLANET CRIME EXPOSES SHE'S WRITTEN!

SEE? A POLICE BADGE AND HER FINGERPRINTS IN BRONZE! HER MOTHER GOT THEM FOR US LAST YEAR WHEN LOIS WAS ASLEEP!
THERE GOES LOIS' "CRIMINAL RECORD"! WHAT A RELIEF!
LOIS LANE HONORARY POLICE CHIEF PITTSDALE
OFFICIAL FINGERPRINT RECORD
CHIEF

BUT THE MYSTERY REMAINS! CLARK'S NEXT STOP IS THE FARM HOME OF LOIS' PARENTS...
LOIS' FELLOW REPORTER BACK IN METROPOLIS, EH? WE'VE HEARD PLENTY ABOUT YOU, YOUNG FELLA!
I'M CLARK KENT...
COME IN! WE'RE ALWAYS HAPPY TO SEE ANY FRIEND OF OUR DAUGHTER'S!

I ALMOST FEEL LIKE A CRIMINAL MYSELF, FOR TRYING TO DIG OUT LOIS' HIDDEN PAST!
I DON'T SUPPOSE THAT LOIS HAS EVER HAD ANY... ER... TROUBLE THAT YOU KNOW OF?
SHE SURE HAS, SON... AND STILL DOES!

IT'S HER ROMANCE WITH SUPERMAN! ISN'T HE EVER GOING TO MARRY THE GIRL? MAYBE YOU COULD TALK TO HIM...
IF HE ONLY KNEW... HE'S DOING JUST THAT!

YOU CAN TELL SUPERMAN, IF HE'S WORRIED ABOUT HER FAMILY, WE HAVE NO SCANDAL TO HIDE! NO, SIR!
HMM... MY SUPER-HEARING INDICATES HIS HEARTBEAT IS PERFECTLY NORMAL! NOT AN IRREGULAR BEAT! MY OWN "LIE DETECTOR" METHOD PROVES HE'S TELLING THE TRUTH!
THUMP... THUMPETY... THUMP

AT BEDTIME...
WE INSIST YOU SLEEP HERE OVERNIGHT, MR. KENT! LOIS' ROOM IS UNOCCUPIED, SO YOU CAN USE IT!
THIS GIVES ME A CHANCE TO SEARCH HER ROOM FOR CLUES TO WHAT THAT BLACKMAILER'S HOLDING OVER HER HEAD!
PUFF

BUT THE HUNT DOES NOT PRODUCE THE HOPED-FOR RESULT...
IF EVER A GIRL WENT RIGHT, INSTEAD OF WRONG, IT'S LOIS!
LOIS LANE AWARDED GIRL SCOUT HONORS!
MISS LANE WINS "IDEAL GIRL" CONTEST
LOST WALLET WITH $5,000 CASH RETURNED BY LOIS LANE

LOOKS LIKE I'LL NEVER FIND ANYTHING FISHY ABOUT THIS GAL! WHY, SHE'S WON MORE HONORS IN PITTSDALE THAN SUPERMAN EVER DID IN METROPOLIS!
QUEEN OF PERFECTION
LOIS LANE
MODEL OF FLOAT PITTSDALE PARADE

BUT AS CLARK HANGS HIS COAT IN THE CLOSET...
SAY... WHY IS THAT PEWTER BOX HIDDEN HERE IN THE CLOSET? DID LOIS KNOW THAT PEWTER, AN ALLOY OF TIN AND LEAD, WOULD BLOCK SUPERMAN'S X-RAY VISION IF HE EVER CAME HERE ON A VISIT?

USING A BOBBYPIN FROM LOIS' DRESSER, CLARK PICKS THE LOCK, TO FIND...
HIDDEN MONEY! DID LOIS STEAL IT SOMEWHERE... NO... THIS NOTE TELLS THE TRUTH ABOUT IT!
THIS IS FOR YOUR DOWRY WHEN YOU MARRY, LOIS- DAD

BUT IF LOIS' PAST IS SO CLEAR, WHY DOES A PHONE CALL THE NEXT DAY MAKE HER SHUDDER?
B-BUT YOU'VE BLED ME WHITE ALREADY! I HAVE NO MONEY LEFT...
RELAX, SWEETIE! I DON'T WANT ANY MORE OF YOUR HARD-EARNED CASH! JUST MEET ME AT THE SKYVIEW RESTAURANT AT 7:30 THIS EVENING! I'VE RESERVED TABLE NO. 6!
WHEN LOIS KEEPS THE APPOINTMENT...
I'VE ONLY SEEN THE BLACKMAILER ONCE... AND HE WAS MASKED! BUT NOW I'LL SEE HIS VICIOUS, BRUTAL FACE AT LAST! I'VE MET SOME UGLY CUSTOMERS IN MY TIME, BUT I'LL BET HE TAKES THE CAKE!
GOOD EVENING, MISS LANE! I'M SURE YOU RECOGNIZE MY VOICE!
OH, MY GOODNESS! H-HE'S HANDSOME, DEBONAIR, AND GENTLEMANLY... JUST THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT I EXPECTED!
CALL ME ROGER! AND I'LL GET RIGHT DOWN TO BUSINESS! I DON'T WANT ANY MORE MONEY ...I WANT YOU! I'VE BEEN CRAZY ABOUT YOU FOR YEARS! SO, FOR THE FINAL PAY-OFF, I WANT YOU TO MARRY ME!
WHA-A-AT?
YOU SURE HAVE YOUR NERVE! YOU'D USE THAT BLACKMAIL EVIDENCE TO KEEP ME IN LINE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE... IF I DID MARRY YOU!
IF? BABY, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE! BUT I'LL EASE YOUR MIND AT MY PLACE AFTER DINNER!
LATER...
HOW DO YOU LIKE MY PAD, SWEETHEART? IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE PLACE WHERE I FIRST SHOWED YOU THIS FILM, ISN'T IT?
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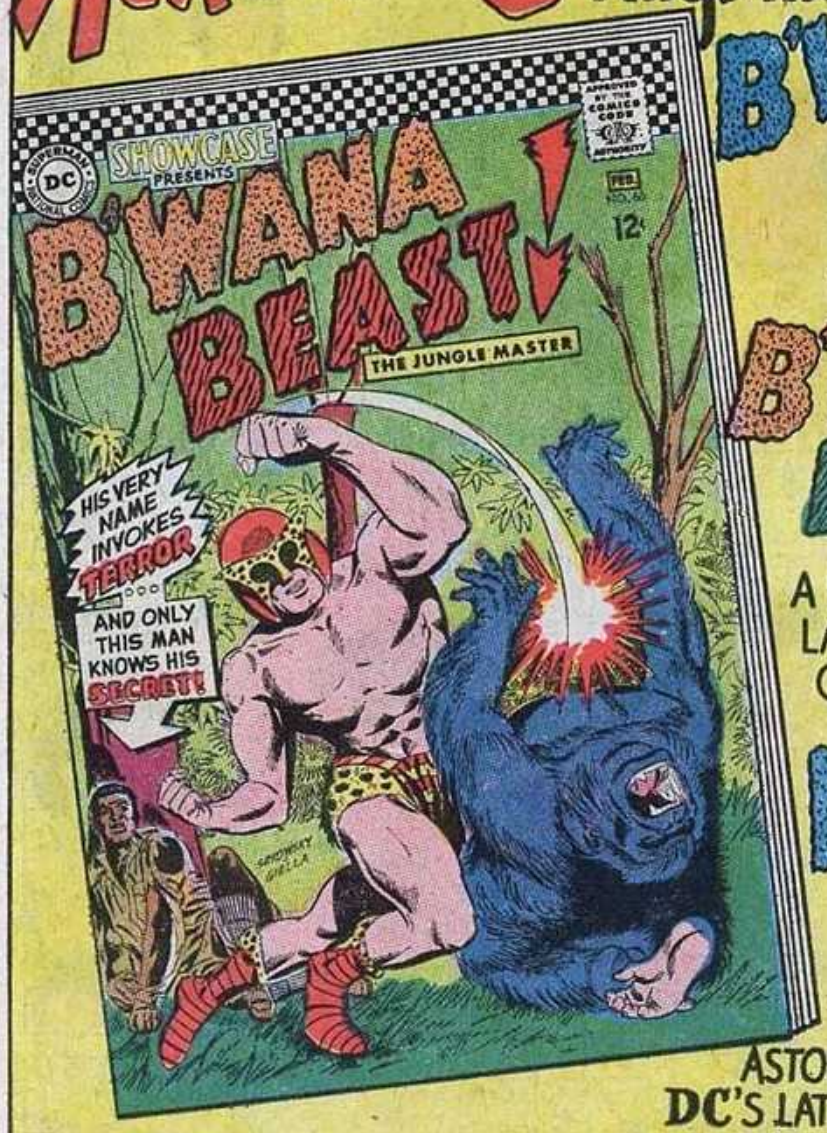
ACROSS the JUNGLE rings the cry... B'WANA BEAST!



MAN AND ANIMAL ALIKE CRINGE AT THE SIGHT OF... B'WANA BEAST!

A FUGITIVE FROM THE LAW, A NEMESIS OF CRIME IS... B'WANA BEAST!

YOU WILL GAPE AT THE ASTOUNDING POWERS OF DC'S LATEST AND GREATEST SUPER-HERO... B'WANA BEAST!

YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS THE AMAZING ORIGIN OF... B'WANA BEAST!

COMING YOUR WAY IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF... SHOWCASE ON SALE NOV. 22nd

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WOW! THIS IS EXACTLY LIKE THE TRAIN YOU RIDE AROUND DISNEYLAND!
BOY! THERE'S JUST ONE SET AFTER ANOTHER IN ROAD RACING AS WELL AS RAILROADS.
THIS YOU HAFTA SEE TO BELIEVE. THIS GRAND PRIX IS OUT OF THIS WORLD!
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GRAND PRIX
JUST LOOK AT THAT NEW 60 FOOT ALCO "430" DIESEL ... AND THE "PRAIRIE" LOCO AND TENDER TOO. YOW! THEY'RE FOR ME.
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"THAT LITTLE MEETING WAS IN A DINGY BASEMENT I'D RENTED, AND I'D KEPT MY IDENTITY HIDDEN UNDER A BLACK ROBE AND HOOD!"
YOUR PHONE CALL SAID YOU HAD AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF MAIL FOR ME!
I SURE HAVE... BLACKMAIL! JUST WATCH THIS MOVIE AND YOU'LL SEE WHY YOU'LL BE SMART TO PLAY BALL WITH ME!
WE'LL TAKE A TRIP TO SEE A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE... THEN WE'LL BURN THE FILM!
IS THAT SO? AND MAYBE THAT'S REALLY A MICKEY MOUSE CARTOON ... OR A HOME MOVIE OF YOUR AUNT MATILDA! I'M NOT BUYING A PIG IN A POKE!
YOU OUGHT TO TRUST ME, HONEYBUNCH! WOULD I CHEAT YOU?
YOU'D CHEAT YOUR OWN BROTHER OUT OF HIS EYETEETH AND CHARGE HIM A DENTAL FEE! YOU'RE NOT PULLING ANY FAST ONES ON ME! SHOW ME THE PICTURE!
SO ROGER TURNS OF THE LIGHTS, AND...
OKAY, I'LL OBLIGE YOU! AS I TOLD YOU BEFORE, THIS FILM WAS SHOT YEARS AGO, DURING NAVAL MANEUVERS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC! THAT SECRET WEAPON SHOWED UP IN THE AREA, OVER AN ISLAND THAT WAS AN AMERICAN PROTECTORATE! A NAVY PATROL VESSEL SENT OUT AN S.O.S....
ENTER THE SO-CALLED HERO! THE NAVAL SHIPS WERE OUT OF RANGE SO SUPERMAN SET OFF THE DEVICE WHERE IT COULDN'T HURT ANYBODY...
...OR COULD IT? THE MAN OF STEEL HAD FORGOTTEN TO CHECK BELOW... DEADLY FALLOUT FROM THE BLAST SHOWERED DOWN ON A PASSING SHIP...

...AND THE ENTIRE CREW OF FORTY SAILORS DIED A HORRIBLE DEATH... MOMENTS BEFORE THE RADIATION ***DISINTEGRATED*** THE SHIP...AND EVERYTHING ABOARD...TO ***DUST!*** YES... THE AWFUL TRUTH IS THAT ***SUPERMAN'S*** RECKLESSNESS ***MURDERED*** THOSE INNOCENT MEN!

THERE YOU HAVE IT, READER...THE SECRET LOIS PAID TO KEEP HIDDEN...

THAT'S WHY I PAID OFF THIS BLACK-MAILER! IF THE PUBLIC LEARNED ***SUPER-MAN*** WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THOSE DEATHS, IT WOULD WRECK HIS CAREER! I'LL DO ***ANYTHING*** TO PROTECT THE MAN I LOVE FROM DISGRACE!

NATURALLY, I WASN'T FOOL ENOUGH TO TRY TO BLACKMAIL ***SUPERMAN*** HIMSELF! WITH HIS SUPER-POWERS, HE COULD HAVE EASILY HUNTED ME DOWN AND DESTROYED THE EVIDENCE!

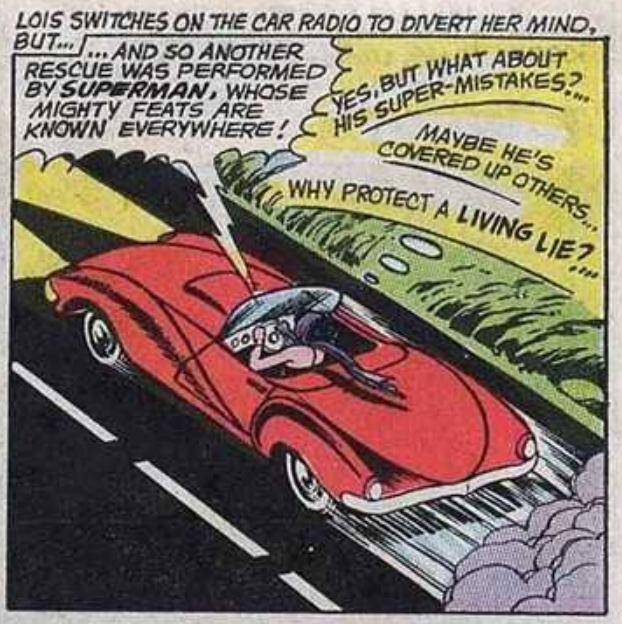
OKAY, BABY... SHALL WE GO OUT AND SAY OUR "I DO'S"? ONCE THE KNOT'S TIED, WE CAN HAVE A LITTLE CELLULOID FIRE!

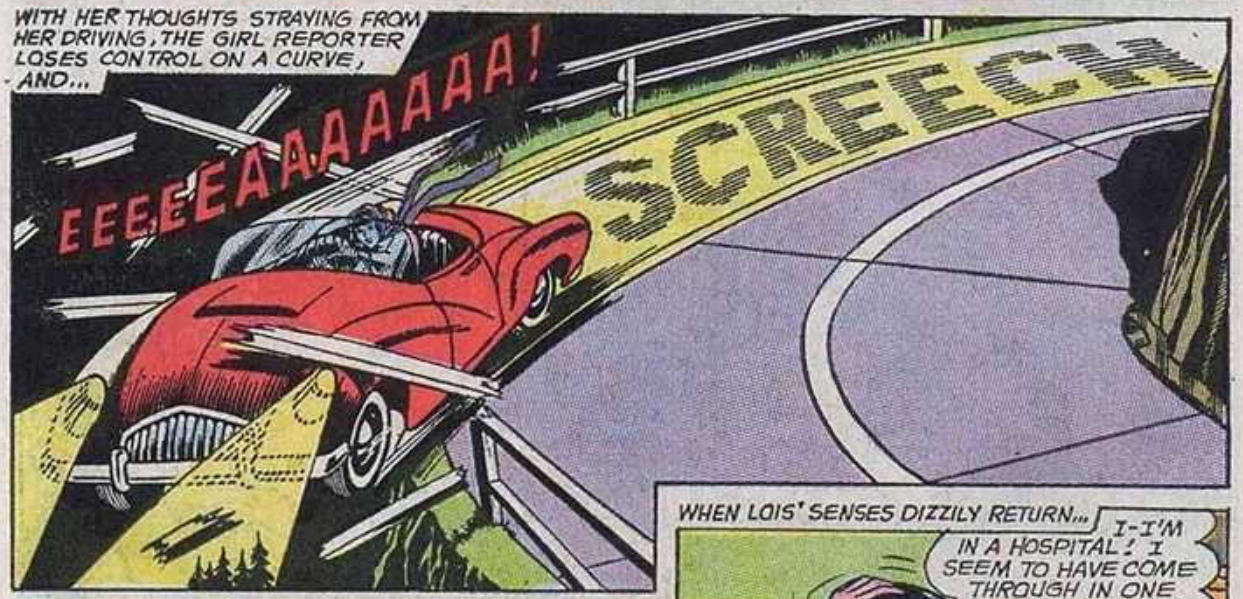
MARRY A CRIMINAL... OR SEE ***SUPERMAN*** BRANDED A KILLER! WHAT... SHALL I... DO?

I WON'T RUSH YOU! TAKE ALL THE TIME YOU WANT... UP TO ***TWELVE HOURS!*** YOU CAN DRIVE HOME IN MY DELUXE FOREIGN SPEEDSTER! HERE ARE THE KEYS! TA-TA! HERE COMES THE BRIDE!

HE MAY LOOK HANDSOME... BUT HE'S A ***RAT!***

AS LOIS DRIVES HOME, TROUBLED THOUGHTS CLOUD HER MIND...
WHAT IF ROGER HAS SECRET COPIES OF THE FILMS?...
HOW CAN I TRUST HIM?...
I COULD NEVER LOVE HIM... OR ANYONE BUT SUPERMAN...
THE WIFE OF A BLACKMAILER... HOW DISGUSTING!


LOIS SWITCHES ON THE CAR RADIO TO DIVERT HER MIND, BUT...
...AND SO ANOTHER RESCUE WAS PERFORMED BY SUPERMAN, WHOSE MIGHTY FEATS ARE KNOWN EVERYWHERE!
YES, BUT WHAT ABOUT HIS SUPER-MISTAKES?...
MAYBE HE'S COVERED UP OTHERS...
WHY PROTECT A LIVING LIE?...


WITH HER THOUGHTS STRAYING FROM HER DRIVING, THE GIRL REPORTER LOSES CONTROL ON A CURVE, AND...
EEEEEAAAAAA!
SCREECH!

CR-RASH!
UUUUHHH!

WHEN LOIS' SENSES DIZZILY RETURN...
I-I'M IN A HOSPITAL! I SEEM TO HAVE COME THROUGH IN ONE PIECE! BUT... THAT HEADLINE... HOW ON EARTH...?
DAILY ✪ PLANET
BLACKMAILER OF GIRL REPORTER JAILED BY SUPERMAN! BY CLARK KENT

GOOD MORNING, LOIS! HOW ARE YOU FEELING?
I'LL LIVE! BUT WHAT ABOUT THIS HEADLINE, SUPERMAN? WHAT HAPPENED?
PLANET
L OF GIRL JAILED BY SUPERMAN BY CLARK KENT

SIMPLE, LOIS! AFTER THE WRECK, I TRACED THE CAR'S LICENSE TO ROGER MADISON, AN EXTORTIONIST WITH A POLICE RECORD AS LONG AS YOUR ARM!

AS THE MAN OF MIGHT SETS UP A PROJECTOR IN THE ROOM...
MADISON CONFESSED THAT HE STOLE THE FILM TO SHOW YOU... AFTER SOME CAREFUL CUTTING! I'LL RUN OFF THE PART YOU DIDN'T SEE!

IT'S TRUE THAT I ACCIDENTALLY CAUSED THAT DEADLY FALL-OUT TO RAIN DOWN ON A SHIP, KILLING THE CREW! BUT A TELESCOPIC LENS CAUGHT ANOTHER ASPECT OF THE STORY...

THE FIRST THINGS TO DISINTEGRATE WERE THE CREW'S HUMAN MASKS! THEY WERE ALL ALIENS FROM ANOTHER WORLD!

AS I LEARNED LATER, THEY WERE CONDEMNED CRIMINALS IN THEIR SOLAR SYSTEM! THEY'D BEEN TRIED AND CONVICTED OF DESTROYING A WHOLE INHABITED PLANET! IN FACT, THEIR HOME WORLD GAVE ME AN HONORARY CITIZENSHIP IN GRATITUDE FOR HAVING "EXECUTED" THEM!

"IN ORDER TO LOOT THAT WORLD, THEY SPRAYED A DEADLY VAPOR OVER ITS SURFACE!"

HAHHH! OUR **AMOEBA GAS** TURNS ALL LIVING THINGS INTO **DYING BLOBS!** WHEN THE WHOLE PLANET IS LIFELESS, WE'LL LAND AND LOOT THIS PLACE OF ITS VAST STORES OF GOLD AND GEMS!

"THEY WERE CAPTURED, TRIED AND SENTENCED TO DEATH. BUT BEFORE THE EXECUTION COULD TAKE PLACE, THEY ESCAPED AND FLED TO EARTH..."

OUR PLASTOID MASKS AND EARTH CLOTHING FOOLED EVERYONE! WE'LL STEAL THIS SHIP AND SET SAIL! THE DUMB SPACE COPS WILL NEVER LOOK FOR US OUT AT SEA!

"HOWEVER, AN INTERGALACTIC PATROL SHIP SPOTTED THE FUGITIVES WITH SPECIAL DETECTORS AND LAUNCHED A SUPER-WEAPON!"

AIM **ULTRA-ATOMIC MISSILE** FOR OCEAN COORDINATE ZERO-SIX-ZERO! FIRE! OUR ORDERS ARE TO EXECUTE THE KILLERS ON THE SPOT!

"WHEN I INTERCEPTED THE UNKNOWN DEVICE, IT WAS SLIGHTLY OFF-COURSE... BUT I ACCIDENTALLY DIVERTED THE FALL-OUT TO ITS ORIGINAL DESTINATION..."

GREAT KRYPTON! WHEN I PREVIOUSLY CHECKED, THE MARITIME CENTER SAID NO COMMERCIAL SHIPS WERE IN THIS AREA! SO WHERE DID THAT STEAMER COME FROM... WITH ALIENS ABOARD?

I FINALLY LOCATED THE ALIEN PATROL CRAFT. THEY EXPLAINED THINGS AND CLEARED ME OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY IN THE DEATHS OF THE CONDEMNED MURDERERS!

OH, **SUPERMAN!** TO THINK... THAT BLACKMAILER ALMOST TRICKED ME INTO **MARRYING** HIM!

AND NEEDLESSLY, LOIS! IF YOU HAD COME TO ME IN THE FIRST PLACE, MADISON'S WHOLE SCHEME WOULD HAVE GONE UP IN SMOKE! AS THE POLICE CONSTANTLY WARN PEOPLE--DON'T DEAL WITH BLACKMAILERS!
OH, WHAT AN IDIOT I WAS!

I...DON'T WANT... THANKS! JUST A LITTLE GOLD WEDDING RING! I'LL PROBABLY NEVER GET ONE FROM SUPERMAN! ;SOB!;
ER...SUPERMAN...VISITING HOURS ARE OVER!
YES... I'M...UH... DUE ON PATROL, ANYWAY!
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A WEEK LATER, WHEN LOIS RETURNS TO THE DAILY PLANET...
MADISON HADN'T SPENT ANY OF YOUR BLACKMAIL MONEY, LOIS! SUPERMAN GOT IT ALL BACK, PLUS YOUR SUPER-SOUVENIRS!
;SIGH!; IF ONLY IT SAID, "TO THE QUEEN OF MY HEART!"
TO QUEEN BIG HEART
SUPERMAN
THE END

He's "IN"!
EVERYBODY'S TALKING ABOUT THE MOST ORIGINAL CHARACTER in COMIC HISTORY!
ROBBY REED--
THE BOY WHO CAN CHANGE INTO 1,000 SUPER-HEROES!
ALL HE HAS TO DO IS...
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CHAMPS AGAINST ODDS!

HEY--THIS ISN'T FAIR-- I FAILED MATH! AND I WAS SO SURE I'D PASSED AFTER PUTTING IN THAT EXTRA STUDY TIME! WHAT'S THE USE OF EVEN TRYING?
YOU'RE RIGHT, JACK. I'M FINISHED TRYING TO PASS THAT SCIENCE COURSE I FAILED!
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU FELLERS? WHY QUIT TRYING JUST BECAUSE IT'S A LITTLE TOUGH NOW? LET ME TELL YOU A THING OR TWO...
REPORT CARD

"YOU'VE ALL HEARD OF MICKEY MANTLE, OF COURSE. MICKEY HAS BEEN FIGHTING A BONE DISEASE IN HIS LEGS SINCE HE WAS A YOUNGSTER...HE'S BEEN CALLED "MR. COURAGE" FOR HIS PERSEVERANCE AND ABILITY TO BECOME A WINNER IN SPITE OF IT!"
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"AND HOW ABOUT WILMA RUDOLPH? DID YOU KNOW SHE HAD POLIO AS A YOUNGSTER? AND THEN SHE BECAME THE WINNER OF 3 OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALS! IT WASN'T EASY FOR WILMA TO PASS HER TESTS... BUT SHE DID!"
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"CHAMPION GOLFER BEN HOGAN SURVIVED A TERRIBLE BUS CRASH AND DOCTORS SAID HE WOULD NEVER PLAY GOLF AGAIN. BUT HE WORKED, EXERCISED, AND WORKED SOME MORE. TODAY HE IS BACK PLAYING COMPETITIVE GOLF AND PROVING THAT HANDICAPS CAN BE OVER-COME!"

THERE ARE LOTS OF OTHERS -- LIKE BILLY TALBERT, GLENN CUNNINGHAM... PEOPLE WHOSE PERSONAL COURAGE AND PERSEVERANCE HAVE MADE THEM FIGHT AGAINST HANDICAPS AND OVER-COME THEM. YOU KIDS GIVE UP TOO EASILY!

SAY, VIC ... MAYBE GEORGE IS RIGHT... I NEVER REALIZED ALL THOSE SPORTS CHAMPS HAD SUCH A HARD TIME. I GUESS WE SHOULD BE GLAD WE DON'T HAVE HANDICAPS LIKE THEIRS TO OVERCOME!

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Letters to Lois & Lana

DEAR EDITOR:

After reading "Lois Lane's Last Chance," I am thoroughly convinced that Superman will never marry Lois. On page 11 of that story, Superman says: "I have a duty to serve humanity! Perhaps some day, when I retire. . ." How long does he think Lois will stay young? Another thing, what if Superman falls for another girl? (I'm sure he's not in love with Lois or Lana.) Lois doesn't even circulate with other men, except in dreams or Imaginary Stories, or if someone sets it up for her. I think she should keep dating Lance Fortune and start dating other men. Then, if Superman really cares for her, he might start noticing her. In fact, she should become engaged to Lance—not as a trap for Superman, but for real. And I hope Lois marries Superman very soon!

—Marie Pellegrini, Hamden, Conn.

(Lady, if you ever want to set yourself up as a Marriage-counselor or professional match-maker, we'll be your angel. Your Cupid I.Q. seems excellent, and we'll be happy to give you references.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

LOIS LANE No. 69 is the issue I have been waiting for. I think it really proves that Superman loves Lois. For example, when Superman explained why he couldn't marry her, I got the feeling he wanted to; and when Lois took a liking to Lance Fortune, the Man of Steel practically kicked himself wondering if he'd outsmarted himself and *really* lost her. Though I'm a fervent admirer of Lois, I wish she could get a new hairdo. Hers is always perfectly in place and exactly the same as the year before!

—Joe Sloan, Lakewood, N.J.

(If it's a new hairdo for Lois you want, see the next issue. She gets a doozy!—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

I've noticed a "new look" in Lois' mags lately. Lois and Lana seem to have "buried the hatchet." Take the story, "Beware of the Bug-Belle," for instance. Lois and Lana share each other's apartments; Lana doesn't get angry about Lois using her bio-ring; nor does she blame Lois when Velvet O'Mara steals the ring. And to top it off, the girls kid each other about their prospects for marrying Superman. I like this a lot better than their fighting and feuding and thinking up nasty schemes against each other! By the way, who's Irene Vartanoff? I have 20 mags with her name on the letter pages—*that I've counted*! You're lucky to have such a devoted fan.

—Barbara Carroll, Panama City, Fla.

(We feel lucky to have many devoted fans—yourself included, Barbara. As for Irene, we met her when she visited our offices in August. She's a college student who's perhaps the best friend and severest critic of DC mags. Let's see what she has to say this time.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

"Beware of the Bug-Belle" was a. . .well, it was darn good! How can I describe a story that had action, human interest, and fun, all wrapped up in a beautiful package? All those crazy insects, those even crazier criminals, and the nicely toned-down rivalry of Lois and Lana made for a well-balanced tale. This is the kind of work it is a real pleasure to see. And heaven forbid that I should forget to mention the artwork! Kurt Schaffenberger draws the most gorgeous-looking people (and insects) around. If he ever stops drawing LOIS LANE, I might stop reading it, his work is so superlative. As for "Lois Lane's Last Chance," this story was certainly calculated to win the sympathy of the reader, but I do get a wee bit tired of this constant effort to teach Lois a lesson.

—Irene Vartanoff, Bethesda, Md.

(What's wrong with teaching her lessons if they do her some good? And, after all, Lois wound up the winner, with a handsome admirer who's so loaded his library is filled with nothing but bankbooks.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

Your mags have such beautiful women in them that I think you should choose the most lovely. Why not have readers vote for Miss DC and Miss Teen-Age DC? Right now, I'd like to cast my vote for Lana Lang as Miss DC and Dream Girl as Miss Teen-Age DC. By the way, does Mort Weisinger, editor of the "Superman family," also write the "Bonanza, U.S.A." column in THIS WEEK magazine?

—Shelby Silver, Baltimore, Md.

(Check, Shelby! The "Bonanza" columnist and ye Editor are, indeed, one and the same.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

We are ardent admirers of DC Comics. However, being style-conscious young ladies, we wonder why Lois Lane always wears white white pearl earrings? Can't she afford a new pair? And why doesn't she wear mini-skirts, poorboys and go-go boots? She certainly has the right shape for them.

—Debbie, Cathie, Dueser and Gainor, Charlestown, R.I.

(The earrings are a special kind, given her by Superman. As for the rest, you'll have to wait until artist Kurt Schaffenberger's daughter wears these togs. He gets all his fashion-style ideas from her.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

For years I've read DC Comics and have held my silence about your exaggerated covers. However, today I feel that the silence must be broken. On the cover illustrating "Lois Lane's Last Chance," Lois says to herself that she will marry Lance Fortune; but in the story itself, there is no sign of her thinking anything of the sort. I don't know about other readers, but I feel cheated when you make such a distortion. I dare you to print my letter!

—Harry Weinstein, Brooklyn, N.Y.

(We often take a bit of dramatic license with our covers—a popular sin also committed by motion picture producers when huckstering their products with exaggerated blurbs. If our occasional "come-on" covers irk you, we beg your indulgence. Just remember that we've trying to "hook" you so that you'll buy an interesting, exciting issue.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to know the chances of a romance between Lana Lang and Pete Ross. I don't think Superman will ever get around to proposing to either Lois or Lana. And if he did, he would most likely pick Lois. Being a loyal Lana fan, I don't want her to suffer many lonely years waiting for a proposal that never comes. And, after all, as revealed in ACTION No. 109, Pete *is* wealthy; he's also handsome and could devote more time to Lana than Superman could. You could develop a romance between them for about a year, after which they could wed. Furthermore, it would show Superman that Lana and Lois can't wait for him forever. Maybe he'd take the hint and ask Lois to be Mrs. Clark Kent. And if that doesn't do it, then Lana could team up with Lois in an effort to get Supie to pop the question. And Pete, after revealing he knows Superman's secret identity, could help convince the Man of Steel to marry Lois. Well, those are my ideas. If ye Editor doesn't like them—you can't blame a Lana fan for trying!

—*Karl Garcia, San Jose, Calif.*

(Will wonders never cease! Here's a Lana fan who actually wants Lois to wed the Kryptonian crime-buster! Is it possible there are any Lois fans who are rooting for Lana to become Mrs. Superman?—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

I noticed a boo-boo in LOIS LANE No. 67. In the wax museum, Helen of Troy was depicted as a queen. I know she wasn't because I took a special course in Greek mythology. She was a shepherd's wife. The Trojan War was fought over her in the story of "Hector and Achilles."

—*David Bernard, Flint, Mich.*

(Why would a war be fought over a shepherd's wife? As the story was told by Homer and other ancient writers, Helen was the daughter of King Tyndareus of Sparta, and heir to the throne. Many suitors sought her hand, but Tyndareus feared that no matter who won her, the others would make war on Sparta in revenge. Then one of them, the clever Odysseus, suggested they all take an oath to uphold the rights of the man Helen chose. This was done, and the successful suitor was Menelaus, brother of King Agamemnon of Mycenae. Menelaus succeeded Tyndareus on the throne of Sparta. Later, when Prince Paris of Troy carried Helen off, Agamemnon and Menelaus insisted that the other suitors keep their oath, as a result of which the Greeks besieged Troy for ten years and finally destroyed the city. This research courtesy of Nelson Bridwell, our mythology expert.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

Do you have to explain how Lana got her bio-genetic ring every time you show it? We faithful readers have had to see the story rehashed three times so far. I say those who missed all the issues about the Insect Queen can lump it. I'm tired of seeing that ugly alien who gave her the ring. He gives me the creeps.

—*Richard Schichler, Rochester, N.Y.*

(Very odd! We showed his picture to the Bizarros and they all thought he was cute!—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

Get serious! In "Beware of the Bug-Belle," Lois' apartment gets flooded! This is impossible, since the water would have run out under the door. Get the message?

—*Dan Solla, Freeport, Pa.*

(Our local Plumber's Union says you are all wet. They answer more than a dozen emergency calls every day for victims of similar home-flooding.—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

I recently came to Earth by flying saucer and picked up a LOIS LANE GIANT. I thought I saw something wrong in "Lois Lane's Stone-Age Suitor." A trip back through time confirmed my opinion. Contrary to the story, mother dinosaurs did not protect their young; they just laid their eggs and left them. For your mistake, give me a free one-year subscription to BATMAN or I'll destroy Earth!

—*Hxxylnpb Zmafjlkstr, Onfxckts, Saturn (Would you believe Eddie Nugent, Lancaster, Calif.?)*

(Sorry—a one-year BATMAN sub is too valuable! How about a 50-year sub to a Brand I mag?—*Ed.*)

DEAR EDITOR:

I am a minister and I have been looking over some of your magazines, which my children read faithfully. Frankly, I don't feel that my calling is properly represented in your stories. The only times we see ministers are at weddings—and then it's usually only the back of the head. One story particularly bothered me. Mr. Mxyzptlk whisked a minister to the scene by magic and the man performed a wedding ceremony without question. Yet, later on, it developed that the marriage was illegal because the couple had no license. I am sure no clergyman would be so careless in such a serious matter. Marriage is one of the most sacred ceremonies in the church, and no reputable minister would fail to check every aspect before "tying the knot." Show us the church in other aspects of life—and keep in mind the clergyman's devotion to his calling.

—*C.S.L., San Francisco, Calif.*

(We apologize if some of the things we have printed have offended you—or any other man of the cloth. We assure you that any such seeming irreverence was purely unintentional.—*Ed.*)

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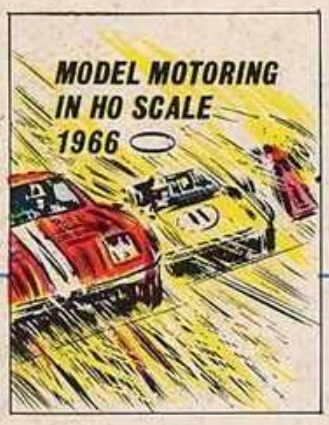

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